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Attorney General John Ashcroft US Department of Justice, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20530-0001

Dear Attorney General Ashcroft:

It has come to my attention that both the Justice Department, and Microsoft have reached a settlement in the three-year antitrust case. I am happy to hear about the settlement, and I support it 100%.

This settlement will allow computer makers the means to remove access to various features of Windows, such as Microsoft's Internet Explorer web browser, windows Media Player, and Windows Messenger. Also, Microsoft has agreed not to retaliate against computer makers who ship software that competes with anything in its Windows operating system.

In fact, Microsoft has even agreed not to retaliate against software developers who develop or promote software that competes with Windows. I would like to see this case settled as quickly as possible, since further delay would end up hurting the American economy. Do not prosecute Microsoft any further! Thank you.

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Joe H. Anderson, Jr